# Chemical Sciences Facilities Presentation to Transportation, Infrastructure & Capitals Appropriations Subcommittee

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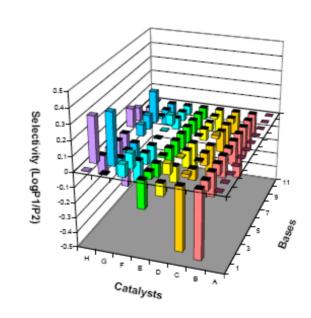
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## **Transforming Chemical Education and Research**







#### Why Chemical Sciences?

- University of Science and Technology
- Chemistry is the central science
  - Molecular basis for biology, biotechnology
  - Material science, engineering and physics
  - Biofuels and biorenewables
  - Food and nutrition
  - Agricultural chemicals
  - Veterinary medicine
- 4000 undergraduates per semester
- 40 different university programs require chemistry
- Major role in Ames Laboratory



#### **Outdated Facilities**



### Gilman Hall 1913,1965





#### **Urgent Needs**

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#### **Chemistry Department - Teaching**

#### **Top Five Buildings for Scheduled Student Activity**

Student

**Clock Hours** 

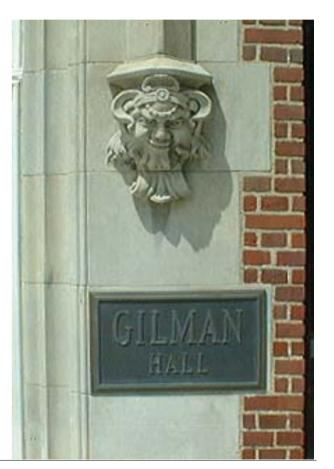
Carver Hall 28,530

**Gerdin** 27,092

**Gilman** 26,897

**Design** 20,835

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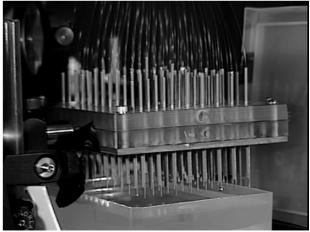




#### **Chemistry Department - Research**

- Highest ranking (National Research Council) among all ISU departments
- Analytical chemistry 9th in U.S.
- Most Distinguished Professors
- Highest level of research funding
- Largest PhD program
- >5 start-up companies





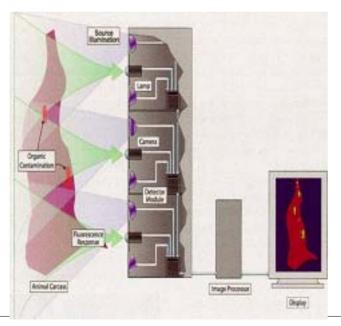


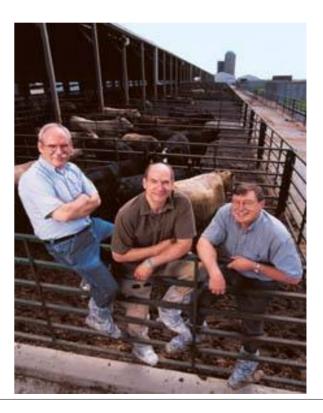
#### **Jacob Petrich**

Finsen Award for Outstanding Achievement in Photobiology R&D100 Award

Secretary of Agriculture Award for Protection of the Food Supply

 Rapid real-time testing for contamination on meat carcasses







#### **Edward Yeung**

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4 R&D 100 Awards

ACS Award in Analytical Chemistry

ACS Award in Chromatography

- DNA Sequencing
- Plant Sciences Institute
- Mass Analysis of Plant Metabolites



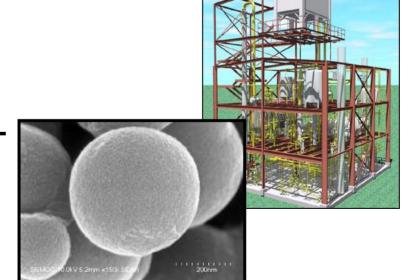


#### **George Kraus**



University Professor
Regents Award for Faculty Excellence
ISU Extension Team Achievement Award

- Convert soy oil into soy diesel
- Convert byproducts into valueadded products, e.g., antifreeze
- Convert ethanol into hydrogen





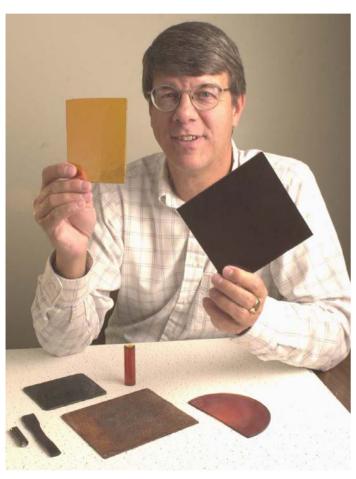
#### **Victor Lin**

- Catalysis, green chemistry, energy production
- Grow Iowa Values Fund catalysts that are recyclable, eliminating the "wash step" of biodiesel production, lowering the cost.
- Started small business to synthesize catalysts for biodiesel production
- Retention successful





#### Richard Larock



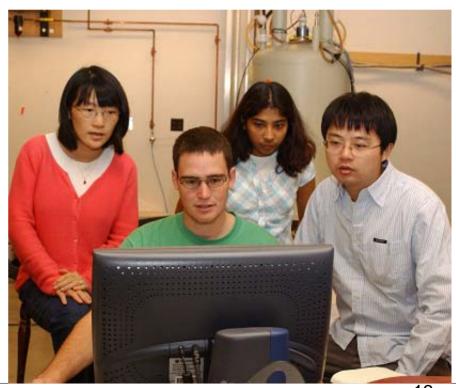
University Professor ACS Edward Leete Award ACS Arthur C. Cope Award

- Bioplastics from soybean oil
- Commercialization of a corn/soy oil-based composite hog feeder
- Retention Successful



## ACS Award in Pure Chemistry John D. Corbett Professor

- Structure and dynamics of protein molecules
- Major funding for new instruments
- Follows degradation of corn, switchgrass
- Retention successful





## Alfred P. Sloan Fellowship Caldwell Professor Member of Plant Sciences Institute

- Synthesizes and studies carbohydrates
- Studies sugars from corn and switchgrass
- Retention successful





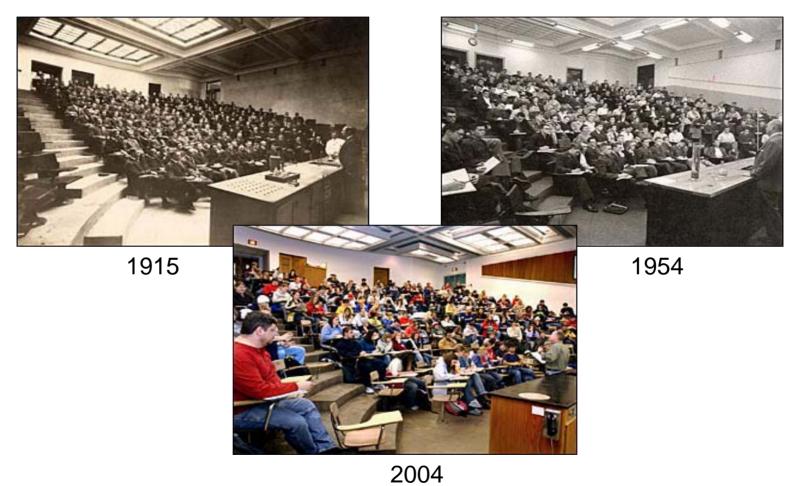
#### **Chemical Education**

- 19 Teaching/Advising awards since 2000
- Major federal funding to develop new pedagogical approaches
- Training and continuing education for lowa science teachers
- Outreach to K-12 schools, Science Bound
- Distance learning modules





#### Auditorium, 1002 Gilman



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#### **Progress to Date**

- \$5M appropriated in 2006 for planning a new building.
- Building planning began on August 2006 with the firm of Ellenzweig Associates, Inc. and is nearly complete.
- President Geoffroy is aggressively and enthusiastically supporting this project: "start construction spring/summer 2008; completion date, 2010."
- A campaign committee to acquire the remaining funds has been formed. Major donors have been identified.



#### **Project Budget**

\$5 M in planning appropriations in 2006

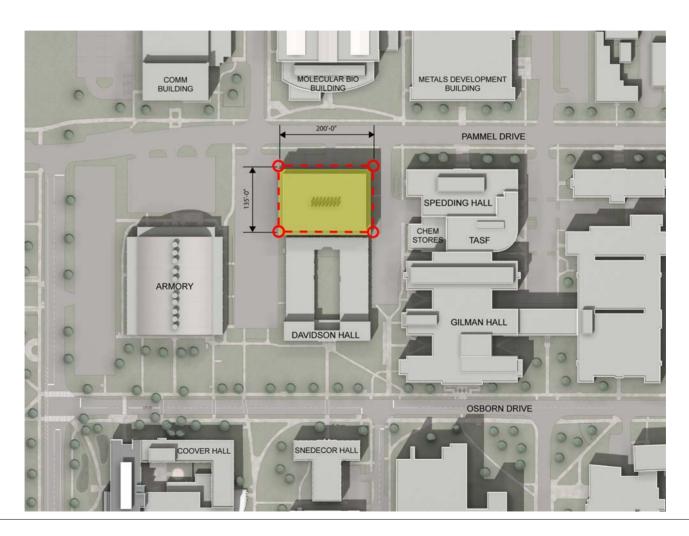
\$15.6 M in private fundraising

\$53.9 M in State appropriations

Project budget: \$74.5 M



#### **Site Massing Considerations**





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#### **Example of Research Laboratories**

